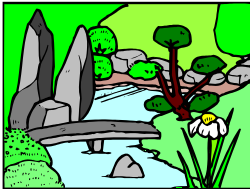




CITY OF SUNNYVALE PARKS DIVISION



INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN



ORNAMENTAL WATER FEATURES IN NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS



Recent changes to administrative practices and City Council policy have resulted in some confusion regarding water features in Sunnyvale parks. There are two types of water features in our parks: Ornamental Ponds/Streams, and Water Play Features. Following is information that may assist you in this topic:

Ornamental Ponds/Streams:

These are located at Braly Park, Las Palmas Park, Serra Park and the Community Center. Due to budgetary constraints in California and locally in Sunnyvale, the City has found the need to decrease service levels. Many services, such as ornamental water features are provided for aesthetic or beautification purposes and are not health/safety or utilitarian in purpose. So, funding for these aesthetic elements was decreased to help provide funding in other services including those for youth, seniors and economically challenged. Due to the nature of the property and the broader community focus, the ponds at Community Center will remain filled and in service. All ponds/streams at Braly, Las Palmas and Serra Parks will be filled only during the months of June—September yearly. These features may be refilled year-round at some future date with direction from City Council.

Water Play Features:

Water play features are located near the playgrounds at: Braly, Serra, Las Palmas, Ortega, Lakewood and Fair Oaks Parks. These features operate mainly in hot weather, use very little water and have no electrical pumping systems. All of these features remain available for use each day. However, due to the need to provide staffing at the Las Palmas Park water play feature, it is only available by permit and a fee is required. For more information or to secure a permit for the water play feature at Las Palmas Park, call 730-7751.

For additional information on Sunnyvale Parks, please call 730-7506 for the Sunnyvale Parks Division Administration Offices.